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Entitled: "METHODS AND COMPOSITIONS USING POLYNUCLEOTIDES
AND POLYPEPTIDES OF RANK-ASSOCIATED INHIBITOR (RAIN)"
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Our Ref.: UTSC:761US

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Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced patent application are:

1. Response to Paper No. 11152004 concerning the
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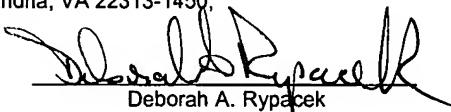


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RESPONSE TO PAPER NO. 11152004
CONCERNING THE RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT DATED AUGUST 5, 2004

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This paper is submitted in response to Paper No. 11152004 concerning the Restriction Requirement dated August 5, 2004 for which the date for response was September 6, 2004.

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In response to the communication dated November 16, 2004, Applicants supplement the election of Group I, Claims 1-9 by electing to pursue Seq. ID. No. 2.

The Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at 713-651-5391 with any questions, comments or suggestions relating to the referenced patent application.

Respectfully submitted,



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